

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Transport Department – Surprise Check conducted by the Anti Corruption Bureau Authorities over office of the Regional Transport Authority, Gudiwada, Krishna District on 27.07.2018 – Allegations of certain irregularities against Sri Siddela Koteswara Rao, Transport Head Constable – Accused Officer placed before the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings – Sri Siddela Koteswara Rao, the then Transport Head Constable expired on 26.12.2020 - Further action abated duly recovering the loss caused to Government – Orders – Issued.

TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (VIG.TR) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No.158

Dated: 15/03/2024.

Read the following:-

ORDER:

1. From the DG, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada, Lr No.C.No.59/DES-VKI/2018-S.9, dt.22.10.2019.
2. From the advisory body in the vigilance matters vide their Lr.No.4650/VC-AF(2)/2019-1, dt.30.10.2019.along with Detailed Report
3. Letter No.TRNS0CTRA(SCR)/21/2019-Vig.Tr(1036885), Dt.22.04.2021.
4. Memo.No.TRNS0CTRA(SCR)/21/2019-VIG-TR(1036885), Dt:27/06/2022 and reminded on 28.09.2022.
5. Act 29 of 2022 to repeal the Andhra Pradesh civil services (Disciplinary Proceedings Tribunal) Act, 1960 and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto published in AP Gazette, Part-IV-B Extraordinary No.29, Amaravati, dt:22.12.2022.
6. G.O.Ms.No.98, G.A.(Ser.E) Department, dt:18.08.2022.
7. From the GA(COI.R) Department, AP Secretariat, U.O Note No. 1878240/GAD/COI-R/2022-23, Dt. 16.03.2023.
8. Govt. Memo.No.1036885/2019-Vig.Tr-A2, dated:30/04/2023.
9. Govt. Memo.No.1036885/2019-Vig.Tr-A2, dated:12.05.2023.
10. From the DG, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada, vide letter Dt.15.05.2023.
11. Govt.Memo.No.1036885/2019-Vig.Tr-A1, dated:16/06/2023.
12. From the TC, A.P., Vijayawada vide letter No.20024/33/V2/2018, Dt.05.07.2023.
13. G.O. Ms. No.48 & 49 and G.O.Rt. No.226, 227,228,229,230, 231 & 232. T,R&B (Vig.TR) Department, Dated 08.08.2023.
14. From the TC, A.P., Vijayawada vide letter No.20024/33/V2/2018, Dt.18.10.2023 .
15. G.O.Rt.No.156 , T,R&B (Vig.Tr) Dept., Dated: 15/03/2024.

ORDER :

1. The Director General , Anti Corruption Bureau in his letter 1st read above has stated that the officials of the office of Regional Transport Authority, Gudiwada, Krishna District were indulging in corrupt practices and collecting illegal gratification from the public who would visit their office for obtaining Learner's license, fresh license or for paying vehicle registration (transport) fees, vehicle

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fitness fees, vehicle tax fees, compounding fees, conductor license fees and permit fees for vehicle registration renewals, finance cancellation & endorsement and other purposes, a surprise check was conducted on the Regional Transport Authority Office on 27.07.2018 at 12.45 hrs by the ACB officials in the presence of two mediators. During the surprise check, certain irregularities were found and unaccountable amount of Rs.1,00,270/- was seized from the premises of O/o the RTA, Gudiwada, Krishna District. Finally, the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau has recommended to place SO-1 and SO -3 to SO -9 viz., (1) Sri Rudrapati Suresh, MVI & RTO (FAC) (2) Sri Marsakatla Ananda Naga Bhushanam, Administrative Officer (3) Sri Thalluri Venkata Krishna Veni, AMVI (4) Sri Siddela Koteswara Rao, Transport Head Constable (5) Sri Kudeti Siva Venkata Suresh Babu, Sr.Asst (6) Smt. Motru Vidyavathi, Sr.Asst (7) Sri Murala Kranthi Kumar, Jr.Asst (8) Smt Gousiya Begam, Office Subordinate before the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings (TDP) and Sri Venum Subba Rao, Administrative Officer (SO2) who has retired from service was placed before COI.

2. After careful examination, Government placed SO-1 and SO-3 to SO-9 before the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings to conduct an Inquiry into the allegations against them and SO-2 placed before COI to conduct an Inquiry into the allegations against him.

3. In the mean while, the Transport Commissioner, Vijayawada in his letter 11th read above, has requested to abate further action against Sri S. Koteswara Rao, Transport head Constable, was expired on 26.12.2020 due to Covid-19 as the Government is the Competent authority to take necessary action under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules 1980.

4. In the article of charges, it was mentioned especially that Sri S. Koteswara Rao, Transport head Constable, was expired on 26.12.2020 while in service have colluded with agents/ touts/ brokers and allowed them in to the premises of their office to collect unaccounted cash of Rs.1,00,270/- from 23.07.2018 to 27.07.2018 as bribe /mamool from the public who visited the RTA office for getting their official work. The unaccounted amount of Rs.1,00,270/- was seized from the possession of the Agents who were found inside of the Regional Transport Authority Office, Gudivada. Therefore, Government have felt that it is not possible to estimate the loss caused to Government exchequer by charged officer i.e., Sri S. Koteswara Rao, Transport head Constable, was expired on 26.12.2020 unless the regular inquiry is conducted.

5. After careful examination of the matter, Government here by decided to accept the request of the Transport Commissioner to abate further against the deceased Charged Officer with a condition, and ordered that further action against Sri S. Koteswara Rao, Transport head Constable, was expired on 26.12.2020, one of the Charged Officer in this case, is abated subject to condition that recovery of loss caused by him, if any found after conduct of a regular inquiry ordered vide G.O 15th read above, from his terminal benefits, as per Rule 9(7) of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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6. The Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

PRADYUMNA P.S.
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

The Legal heir of (late) Sri S. Koteswara Rao, Transport head Constable through
the Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

The Director General, Anti corruption Bureau, Vijayawada.

Copy to:-

The Secretary to APVC, APVC, A.P Secretariat, Velagapudi.

The PS to the Hon'ble Minister (Transport).

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SECTION OFFICER